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"Xmas News."

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Buy Now. The Best Pocket Knives, 50c.

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POMMERY CHAMPAGNE

QUALITY! QUALITY!! QUALITY!!!

That's what we are trying to impress upon the Public.

POMMERY CHAMPAGNE

commands a considerably higher price per case than other leading brands.

Why? Because of its better quality.

CHAMPAGNE

Hoeke's Special Gift List.

Too late for descriptions. You've no time, nor inclination, now to read else than the bare facts. Nor do you need more when THIS store's stock is in contemplation.

The qualities are guaranteed by their presence here. Our taste in selection of novelties is conceded. Our price-marking pencil is sharpened to the fine point. So, then, for us to announce the choicest line of holiday features for the home that we have ever assembled carries weight and kindles interest.

These quotations will show you how unusually far your money can be made to go:

Morris Chairs, in golden oak, with hair cushions.	\$3.85
Ladies' Desks in solid oak, with drawers and French legs.	\$4.48
Parlor Cabinets, with oil finish, French plate glasses, fancy rail and carved top; worth \$15.	\$10.00
Hall Mirrors, with fine glass and brass hooks, diamond and round shape.	\$3.75
Hall Chairs, unique styles and fine finish; worth \$6.	\$3.75
Easy Chairs for the lounging room; most comfortable shape, strongly made and durably upholstered.	\$15.00
Fancy Rockers, in cherry, comfortably poised; worth \$3.	\$1.98
Rattan Rockers, substantially made; worth \$4.	\$2.98
Combination Book Cases and Desks, commodious and ornamental.	\$13.98
Roman Chairs, the very popular pattern just now, good variety to choose from.	\$4.50
Roman Stools, in oak and cherry; oddities that make a good show.	\$1.25
Tabourettes, in new shapes; specially well made.	49c.
Brass-trimmed Beds, with spring and mattress; any size.	\$5.98
Corner Chairs for the drawing room; upholstered in satin damask.	\$4.39
French and Roman High-arm Chairs; very fashionable.	\$5.00
Inlaid Odd Parlor Pieces, covered with Roman-striped satin damask and Scotch tapestries; one special style.	\$12.00
Leather-covered Roman Chairs; an acquisition to the library or reception hall.	\$13.50
Parlor Tables—elaborate enough to cost \$40—but many other styles, beginning at.	69c.
Children's Cribbages.	\$2.50.
Bamboo Tabourettes.	98c.
Bamboo Cabinets.	\$2.50.
Bamboo Music Racks.	\$1.98.
Bamboo Book Cases.	\$1.98.
Bamboo Costumes.	\$1.25.
Children's Morris Chairs, made just like the big ones.	\$2.75.
Bamboo Book Cases.	\$1.98.

HOEKE,
Furniture, Carpets, Upholstering. Pa. Ave and 8th Street.

BUYING THE BETSY ROSS HOUSE.

Movement to Preserve Birthplace of the Flag.

The American Flag House and Betsy Ross Memorial Association has raised \$13,231 in the past year by the sale of 10-cent certificates of membership toward the fund for the purchase and preservation of the birthplace of the American flag and the erection of a suitable memorial in honor of Betsy Ross.

The subscription lists have been sent to all states and territories, the Philippine Islands, Hawaii, Porto Rico and Cuba and to American residents in the capitals of the world, and today the certificates are to be found wherever Americans dwell. They have been sent to Alaska, Patagonia, London and Hong Kong and intermediate places, thus encircling the world from north to south and from east to west.

The sum of \$25,000, required for the purchase and preservation of the flag house, will, it is more than assured, be secured by Flag day, June 14 next, and the fund for the national memorial to Betsy Ross, the maker of the flag, will be fairly started.

The officers of the association elected for the ensuing year are: President, Dr. Edward Brooks; vice president, Adam H. Petteroli; secretary, John Quincy Adams; and treasurer, George Clinton Batcher. The national office is at 230 Arch street, Philadelphia.

COMPLAINS OF THE CAZAR.

Pope Leo Refers to His Exclusion From Peace Congress.

A dispatch from Rome says: The text of the pope's allocution at Thursday's consistory was published yesterday in Rome.

The pontiff began by announcing the appointment of the cardinals deputed to open the sacred door of the Roman Basilica at the commencement of the holy year. He said he could have wished that the church enjoyed her former liberty in Rome, and that she might thus have been enabled to celebrate publicly the contemplated ceremonies with the solemn usages of bygone years.

The pope then referred to the fact that the Vatican was not invited to send a representative to the peace congress at The Hague, an omission which, he said, had been "censured by all impartial judges."

with a view of establishing peace, yet there was more worthy of an invitation than the pope, who had endeavored to obtain and to make peace and to prevent conflict—an office which by the Divine will was within the attributes of the papacy.

The holy see had desired a place in that conference, continued the pontiff. One voice had obstinately opposed itself to this desire and had gained the point. It was the voice of those who, with the conquest of Rome, had deprived the pope of his powers.

"What hostility," asked the pontiff, "have we to fear from them, when, even in the face of Europe, they do not hesitate to violate the sanctity of the rights and duties which naturally flow from apostolic power? Nevertheless, whatever the future may bring, we should certainly never, by God's help, be found on the side of those who are afraid."

Maxwell Detained at St. John, N. F.

At the request of the Department of State the authorities of St. John, N. F., have detained under arrest, awaiting the arrival of the necessary extradition papers, Elmer Maxwell, late of the American schooner, J. B. Vandusen, who is charged with the murder of the master, Geo. Barsley, while the vessel was on her way from St. John to New York.

Freeman Replaced by Wagner.

The same board of arbitration was re-elected, and the board of directors also, except that Andrew Freeman, president of the New York club, was placed on it in place of J. Earle Wagner of the Washington club. This was taken as significant, as it is expected that Wagner is to retire from the circuit. A future was created in the meeting after this action had been taken when President Freeman informed them through a messenger that, under no circumstances, would he accept an office at the hands of the league.

Wagner Puts Up His Price.

Judging from what Earle Wagner said yesterday afternoon, says the New York Telegraph, it looks as though Washington would not be so easy to buy out as was supposed. If he sticks out for what he said yesterday Washington will likely prove a stumbling block in the proposed reduction. Wagner was willing to sell out for a reasonable figure several days ago, said Wagner. "I will not take three times as much today and let go. No matter what comes of this or how many clubs are lopped off the list Washington will be the national League next season. That is final."

It is believed this change of base was

SENATE EMPLOYEE DEAD

Capt. Arthur Barnes Found Dead in His Bed This Morning.

For Eighteen Years He Was Door-keeper at West Entrance to Senate Lobby.

Senate Lobby.

Captain Arthur Barnes, who has held a position as assistant doorkeeper on the Senate side of the Capitol for a long term of years, was found dead in his room at No. 110 C street northwest about 8:30 o'clock this morning. Heart disease, it is believed, caused his death. He had suffered from heart trouble for a number of years, and had frequently remarked that he expected death from that cause.

The deceased was about sixty-five years old, and was a native of North Carolina, and his three daughters reside in that state.

During the civil war he served as captain in the 7th Confederate Cavalry, and was appointed to his present position through the influence of Senator Ransom. Many of the personal friends of the deceased called at the house this morning upon learning of the death. He had been in the Masonic circles, and members of a local lodge had the body sent to Barker's undertaking establishment, where it was prepared for burial.

Held in High Esteem.

Every one who has frequented the west door of the Senate lobby will recall the ruddy face, white hair and merry, twinkling eye of Capt. Arthur Barnes. For eighteen years he has sat at that door during the sessions of the Senate, with a cheery word for every one and strict attention to his duty. He was held in high esteem by senators of all parties and numbered his friends among all classes of officials.

For many years Capt. Barnes has been carried on the rolls of the Senate on the score of his efficiency, and was not charged with any pecuniary account. He came to Washington in 1881 from Tarboro, N. C., with Senator Ransom. He served for a short time in the folding room, and then was promoted to his position he held at the time of his death.

Capt. Barnes was frequently sent in charge of senatorial traveling parties, funerals and coronations. He was a social well as a business man, and was well as the ability to look after the details arising out of the necessity of transporting and providing for committees.

At the national democratic convention of 1884, 1888, 1892 and 1896 Capt. Barnes was a member of the national committee, and the committee on platform, a place necessitating the exercise of good judgment as well as vigilance. It is said of him that he was never so much in demand with more democratic of prominence than was any man in the party.

His remains will be taken to Tarboro for interment.

CLUB OWNERS IN SESSION.

Meeting of the National League Board of Directors.

For the first time during the week the owners of the various twelve clubs of the National Base Ball League went into session at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday. While there were several lively scenes in the meeting, that between John T. Brush, president of the Cincinnati club, and long considered the leading spirit of the league, and Harry Von der Horst, a member of the "Big Four" that control the Brooklyn and Baltimore clubs, created the greatest sensation.

Brush, approaching Von der Horst in the cafe of the hotel in a conciliatory manner, was met by a rebuff which he undoubtedly did not expect. Brush at first explained to Von der Horst that he desired to talk to him in a base ball matter, but as far as Von der Horst was concerned, he would meet Brush at any time, but as far as base ball matters were concerned he would talk openly before the crowd that pressed around.

Von der Horst Bares Brush.

Brush weakened perceptibly, whereas Von der Horst proceeded to relieve his mind. To Brush he explained that in all the controversies that had arisen in the league he had stood by the recognized leader, and he could not understand why Brush, as the recognized head of the league, should repudiate his old friends at the present time. "Why," exclaimed Von der Horst to Brush, "you have apparently repudiated your old friends. I have all along understood that you were the bright, shining light of the league, and that your word was law. I have found out, however, that you are acting under orders. As far as I am concerned, my partners and myself will give you and those who are giving orders to you all the back-bait politics you want."

"In the first place," continued Von der Horst, as the crowd gathered around, "the Brooklyn club is entirely in the right. According to the national agreement, we need you nor any one else can say that it took any other position except the right one in the Wright case. Furthermore, we refuse to be clubbed into line. Again, I defy you to open the doors of the league meeting to outsiders. If you do it will only show the schemes you and some of your friends are trying to work."

Brush made no response and the men separated.

In the Board Meeting.

That Messrs. Von der Horst, Abell, Hanlon and Ebbetts, who own the Brooklyn and Baltimore clubs, are going to make the strongest kind of a fight against what they claim is an injustice at the hands of the league was shown when the Wright case was before that body. The board of directors had decided that the Brooklyn club should be fined \$500. Before the board another proposition talked over regarding the Wright case was the demand of the New York club that it had been damaged by the action of the league was lost, and when the case was discussed in league resolution conciliatory measures were proposed toward the Brooklyn club by the New York club.

"I want to tell you," he exclaimed, "that Brooklyn in this case is either right or wrong. I have no objection to the league's action if it is right, but if it is wrong, we accept a reprimand. If we are right, we demand exoneration; if wrong, we will submit to the national agreement, under the national agreement we are entirely right. Now, then, do as you see fit."

Brooklyn Fined.

A vote was taken, after the motion to reprimand Brooklyn had been lost, as regards fining the club \$500. It was carried by a vote of 7 to 5. Those who voted with the Brooklyn club were the Boston, New York and St. Louis and Cleveland and James A. Hart of Chicago. The Brooklyn-Baltimore owners afterward announced that they would not pay the fine and a pretty squabble is imminent. Various motions were made in the meeting regarding the fine, but the Brooklyn club was not allowed to pay the fine, which it claimed it had been damaged by Wright's action.

The second and last session of the annual meeting of the Washington Homeopathic Society was held last evening in the tea room of Willard's Hotel. There was a good attendance of the members of the society and others, and the papers which were read were followed with close attention, and in some cases evoked interesting discussions. Especially was this the case with the paper on "Serum Therapy: Its use by homeopaths consistent?" by Dr. H. R. Higgs. This question was answered in the affirmative by the writer of the paper, who said he was confident that serum was the most modern and effective means of treating diphtheria and also tuberculosis. This opinion was supported by several physicians in the course of the discussion, who spoke of the excellent results that had followed the use of this method. One of the speakers gave an account of the bad effect in one case following this treatment, as blood poisoning, but it was thought in that case probably the result was due to the fact that proper cleanliness had not been observed in the administration.

The president of the society, Dr. Ralph Jenkins, occupied the chair at the meeting last evening, and the first paper read was on "The Comparison Between Kali Bichromicum and Mercurius Protiodide," by Dr. C. E. Gilbert, which was an instructive treatment of a subject that was recognized as of great professional importance. Then followed the paper on serum. Dr. C. L.

Tonight at the Palais Royal

Coupon No. 1.

This Star Coupon, if presented tonight with 30c. entitled bearer to Toy Book and Ladder, complete with two galloping horses. Length, 15 inches; weight, 5 pounds.

Coupon No. 2.

This Star Coupon and 30c. entitled bearer to Doll's Large Go-Cart, with wicker body and iron wheels. If presented at the Palais Royal tonight on fourth floor.

39c for 50c Toys. 89c for \$1 Toys. \$2.75 for \$5 Toys.

Thousands of them, and as many thousands of games. Largest and best 50c ones at 39c for choice. Greatest variety and better than usual. \$1 Toys and Games at 89c for choice. Only \$2.75 for superior Tricycles, Velocipedes, large Steam Engines, Swinging Horses and other best \$5 Toys.

Boys! Boys!! Boys!!! Boys!!!! Boys!!!!!

One thousand Iron Wagons, the surplus holiday stock of the Gendrom Wheel Co. of Toledo, Ohio. We paid and ask nominal prices for these famous Iron Wagons. They laugh at the weight of a big little boy and they'll not groan at the hardest knocks. A Christmas treat for one thousand lucky boys. 39c secures a 75c Wagon, 69c suffices for a dollar one. 98c buys a \$1.75 beauty. \$1.10 for a big \$2 fellow. Only \$1.25 for largest \$2.50 Wagon. Distribution to commence this evening at 6 o'clock.

Thousands of Articles at 25c.

Enter by G street door and you will find the following on long glass show cases—Sterling Silver Pocket Knives, Erasers, Nail Files, Shoe Horns, Blotters, Paper Cutters, Darners, Seals. Extra heavy and sterling silver, 7 to 9 inches long, the usual 50c articles at 25c for choice.

25c for Pretty Boxes of Filagree Work and Dresden China. And 25c for the Fashionable Baby Manicure and Desk Articles, mounted in sterling silver.

25c for Photo Frames of all kinds, from miniature to largest size. Some of French gilt, some of leather, some of enameled woods.

25c for facsimiles of Real Gold Brooches, Hatpins, Watch Chains, Cuff Buttons, etc. Boxed with jeweler's wool, free of extra charge.

\$3.89 for \$5 Furs.

Choice of the Electric Seal Collarettes, edged with marten fur, and the Neck Scarfs with six and eight full tails.

10 Per Cent Discount.

One-tenth off the price marked on more expensive furs selected here tonight.

Children's \$1 Furs, 79c.

The \$1 Angora, Lambwood and Imitation Ermine Sets, Neck Scarf and Muff. 79c tonight only.

Silk Garters Given Free of Charge.

One pair \$1 rich Silk Garters, with French enamel and jewel clasps, given with each pair of \$1 Silk Hose. In box, with Christmas card. All for \$1.

Four pairs Ladies' 25c Black Stockings and one pair 25c Silk Garters, with ribbon bow and jewel clasps. In Christmas box—for.....\$1

Two pairs Boys' or Girls' 25c Double-knee Fast Black Hose and one pair of Silk Garters, in glass-top box—all for \$1

\$3.98 for \$5 Morris Chairs With Reversible Cushions.

The illustration doesn't do justice to this chair. It can be made to incline at various angles, being the ideal men's chair. The special price—\$3.98—is for tonight only.

\$1.98 for Rockers, mahogany finish, highly polished. Saddle seat and restful arms. Usually \$2.50.

\$2.98 for those \$3.48 Reclining Rockers, mahogany finish, upholstered with gold leaf, upholstered in silk damask.

98c for those \$1.25 India Seats of oak, mahogany and white enamel.

\$3.75 for Revolving Book Shelves, of solid oak, \$5 at the furniture stores.

\$6.50 for \$7.50 Oak Bookcases, 5 feet high. Four shelves and two glass doors.

\$1.98 for Solid Oak Book Shelves, 3 feet 6 inches high. \$2.50 value.

\$3.49 for Ladies' Solid Oak Writing Desks, with French legs. \$5 at the furniture stores.

\$14 for English Oak China Closets. All \$14 a case, front, rounding at sides. \$20 at the furniture stores.

\$1.19 for Solid Oak and Mahogany-finish Tables, highly polished. \$1.50 the regular price.

\$1.98 for Ladies' Silk Umbrellas, with steel rods, 26 and 28-inch. Paragon frames, plain and 95c.

\$1.98 for Ladies' All-silk Umbrellas, black and red. Note the handles. Samples worth up to \$2.50. Choice for tonight only.

\$1.98 for Ladies' English "Crown" Waterproof Garments. Range from \$10.00 to \$25.

Basement Floor Bargain Spots.

\$2.75 for \$3.98 Tables.

Brass Tables as in the illustration. The onyx top is 8x8 inches. And note the curved French legs and filagree base.

\$3.98 for \$5.98 Lamps.

Complete with globe, decorated in delicate colors. Fitted with best center draft burner. Good value at \$3.98.

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GIFT

"HELPS!"

If you're in a quandary what to give glance over this little list of "gift helps" and it will give you ideas.

35c. Extracts, 19c.

4-oz. bot. Extract, 50c.

Cut Glass Pungents, 25c

Military Hair Brushes, \$1.50 up.

Manicure Sets.

Silver Articles, etc.

Prices are surprisingly low!

OGRAM'S,
13th and Pa. Ave.

Palais Royal, A. Lisner, G & 11th Sts.

A Liquor Stamp Not a License.

In an opinion rendered yesterday Commissioner Wilson of the internal revenue bureau decides that persons engaged in the sale of alcoholic liquor, even though such state, are, nevertheless, required to pay special tax under the law of their state. The stamp issued to them, however, is not a "license," and does not protect them from prosecution, conviction and sentence under the state law.

Claimants of Maine's Victims.

The Navy Department has given notice that any person claiming the remains of any of the victims of the Maine explosion before the Texas arrives at Hampton Roads, with the bodies from Havana, which will be in about fifteen days, may have them sent to their late home for burial at the expense of the department.

A Bottled Beer Decision.

Commissioner Wilson of the internal revenue bureau has decided that where a brewer ships bottled beer marked for delivery to persons who ordered it, but consigns and waybills the beer in general terms to his agent, instead of shipping it to these persons, it is held that the sale is made at the time and place of the actual delivery of the beer by the agent to these customers, and special tax must be paid by the brewer at the place.

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